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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S REMARKS ON MOVEMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

DIVISION TO NEW YORK: REQUEST FOR GUIDANCE

REF: USUN 806

1. INEVITABLY, PRESIDENT CARTER'S EXTENDED REMARKS CONCERNING HUMAN RIGHTS IN HIS UN ADDRESS YESTERDAY, AND IN PARTICULAR HIS RECOMMENDATION THAT THE HUMAN RIGHTS DIVISION BE MOVED BACK TO NEW YORK FROM GENEVA, WILL STIMULATE WIDE COMMENT AND QUESTIONS HERE. HUMAN RIGHTS SECT MEMBERS TELL US THAT THEY HAVE ALREADY BEEN QUERIED THIS MORNING BY REPORTERS AS TO PROSPECTS FOR MOVE.

2. WE BELIEVE THAT WE WILL BE RECEIVING SIMILAR QUESTIONS FROM MEDIA VERY SHORTLY, E.G. DOES STATEMENT STEM FROM RECOGNIZED, LONG-STANDING U.S. OPPOSITION TO MOVEMENT OF DIVISION FROM HEADQUARTERS, OR IS IT NEW INITIATIVE, POSSIBLY DERIVING FROM JUST-COMPLETED COMMISSION MEETING, WHICH ADMINISTRATION

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INTENDS TO PURSUE VIGOROUSLY TO CONCLUSION. MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING GUIDANCE SOONEST AS TO HOW SUCH ANTICIPATED PRESS QUERIES SHOULD BE TREATED.

3. FYI: FIRST REACTION WE HAVE RECEIVED FROM HR SECT IS THAT, WITH EXCEPTION OF NEW EUROPEANS TAKEN ON LOCALLY, OVERWHELMING MAJORITY WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO

RETURN TO NEW YORK. ON THE OTHER HAND SECT STAFF EXPRESSED
BELIEF THAT GREAT MAJORITY OF MEMBER STATES WOULD VOTE TO
REMAIN IN GENEVA, ALTHOUGH MANY INDIVIDUAL DELEGATION
MEMBERS WOULD PREFER NEW YORK. ANOTHER THOUGHT EXPRESSED
WAS THAT PRESIDENT'S PROPOSAL WILL KILL ANY FURTHER TALK
OF DIVISION'S MOVE TO VIENNA. END FYI. SORENSON

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